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CHIEF AMONG THEM WAS "Char'dei Dirou: Firestorm Calamity", A TIER-2 SPELL OF THE FLAME SYSTEM.

THE LAST TIME WE WENT HUNTING HIND BEARS, I TOOK NOTE OF THE SPELLS HOBU SEI USED.

ONE GRADE UP FROM TIER-1: THE WEAKEST OF THE TEN TIERS OF SPELLS, TIER-2 MAGIC CAN OFTEN BE UNDERESTIMATED BY THE IGNORANT.

...TO THEIR OWN DETRIMENT! EVEN TIER-1 SPELLS CAN BE LETHAL TO NORMAL GOBLIN-LEVEL BEINGS.

TO ELABORATE: THE LIGHTNING-TYPE SPELL THAT I TOOK TO THE FACE BACK IN VELVET'S TOMB WAS TIER-3.

I HAD RESISTANCES, SO I WAS MORE OR LESS FINE, BUT A NORMAL OGRE WOULD HAVE BEEN OBLITERATED BY SUCH AN ATTACK.

I REMEMBER THE RED-HAIRED SHORTY SAYING SHE'S HEARD MENTION OF HUMANS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED THAT LEVEL OF MASTERY.

A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH.

IF ONE HAD COMMAND OF TIER-5 MAGIC, HE, SHE, OR IT WOULD BE CAPABLE OF BURNING WHOLE TOWNS TO THE GROUND.

I DON'T KNOW IF I'LL EVER HAVE THAT KIND OF OPPORTUNITY; EVEN SO, IT'S NICE TO JUST FANTASIZE ABOUT IT FOR NOW.

HMM... IF I WERE TO EAT ONE OF THEM, WHAT MANNER OF ABILITIES WOULD I GAIN?

DO SA

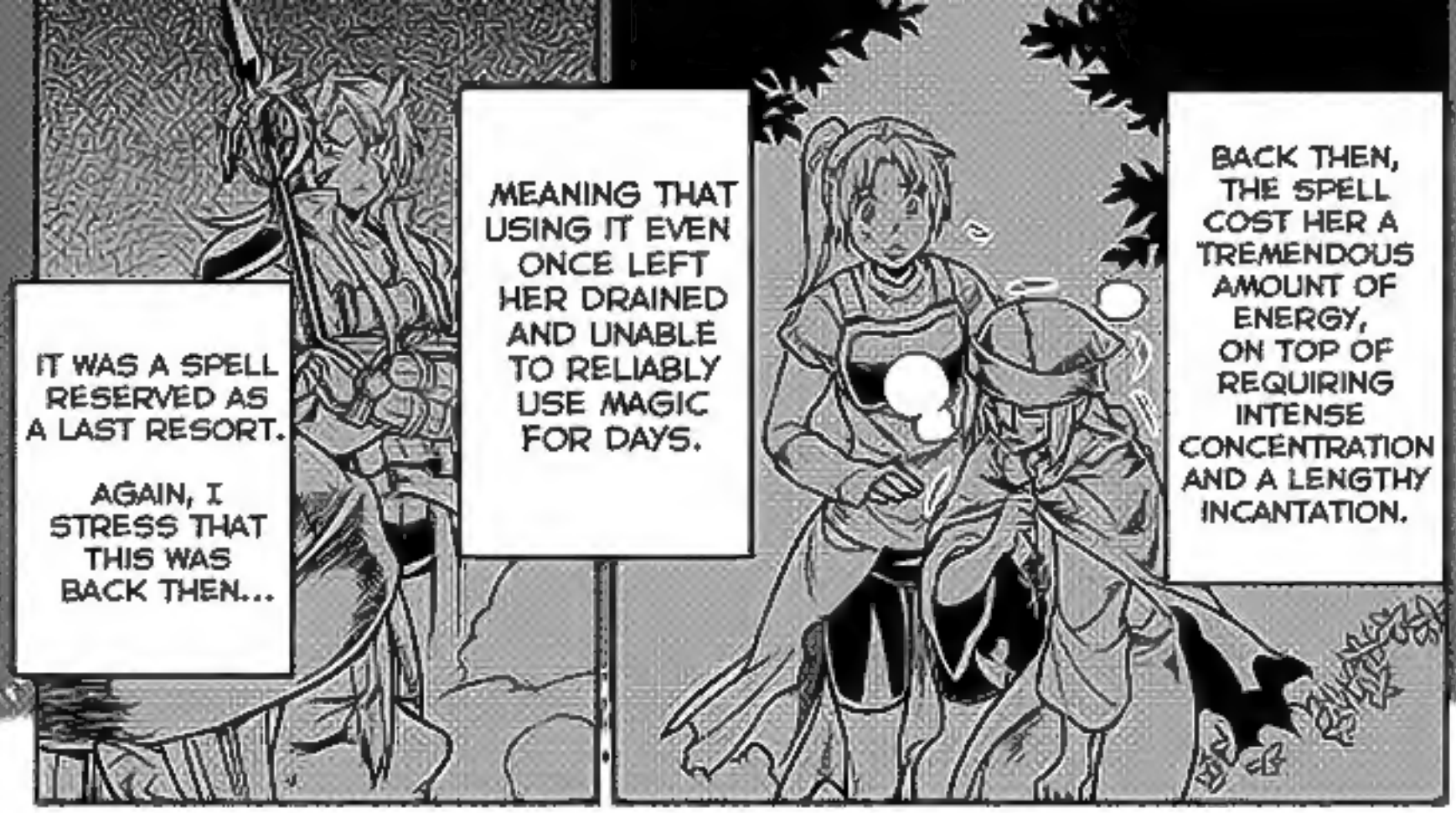
HOWEVER ...

...BUT I DIGRESS.

WELL THEN, RETURNING TO THE TOPIC OF "Char'dei Dirou"

BACK THEN, HOBU SEI'S SPELL UNLEASHED FIVE FIREBALLS IN SUCCESSION

THEY WERE ABOUT 4 INCHES ACROSS AND HAD A WIDE AREA OF AFFECT.


IT WAS A SPELL RESERVED AS A LAST RESORT.
AGAIN, I STRESS THAT THIS WAS BACK THEN...
MEANING THAT USING IT EVEN ONCE LEFT HER DRAINED AND UNABLE TO RELIABLY USE MAGIC FOR DAYS.
BACK THEN, THE SPELL COST HER A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF ENERGY, ON TOP OF REQUIRING INTENSE CONCENTRATION AND A LENGTHY INCANTATION.

Re:Monster

リ・モンスター CHAPTER 19

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HYUH

IN HER NEW HALF SPELL-LORD FORM, NOT ONLY HAS THE CAST TIME OF "Char'dei Dirou" BEEN REDUCED TO ONE-FIFTH OF WHAT IT WAS...

BOGAN

BOGAN

ZU

ZU

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ZU

DOON

...THE FIREBALLS ARE NOW 14 INCHES, AND ONE CONJURATION SUMMONS *TWENTY* OF THEM.

...YEAH, THAT'S A DRASTIC IMPROVEMENT ALRIGHT.

woah...

woah...

EVEN AFTER ALL THAT, I'VE STILL GOT A TON OF MANA LEFT!

Fu Fu Fu !!

…Fu Fu

GOOD THING SHE SHOT THEM SKYWARDS... IF SHE DIRECTED THEM TO THE GROUND, THERE'D BE A HUGE MESS...

UHH, NO, THAT'S ALRIGHT...

HEY, HEY, IF YOU'D LIKE, I CAN CAST IT ANOTHER 20 TIMES OR SO♡

"NO? REALLY? HOW ABOUT I SHOW YOU SOMETHING ELSE THEN, HUH? HUH? HUH?

REALLY! NO THANKS, I'M GOOD...

OHOHO HO HO

THIS IS HER WEAKER FORM...?

GOBLIN GRANDPA HAD TOLD ME,

THAT WHEN THE NAME OF A SPECIES HAS "HALF" IN IT, ITS ATTRIBUTES ARE WEAKER OVERALL COMPARED TO ITS FULL FORM; IN SEI'S CASE: 'SPELL-LORD'.

IF SHE HAPPENS TO RANK-UP AGAIN, SHE'LL BECOME A REAL DEMON OF MAGIC. THAT'S A SCARY THOUGHT...

VELVET'S ANCIENT-CLASS ROBE THAT STRENGTHENS PHYSICAL AND MAGICAL ABILITIES: [Body of Full Luck]

AND A STAFF THE HIGH WIZARD I KILLED HAD IN HIS POSSESSION: [Arannote's Staff]

FOR HER RANK-UP REWARD, I GAVE HER

Waah——

clap clap

I'M PRETTY SURE THE ABNORMALLY HIGH RANK-UP RATE IN THIS COMMUNITY IS DUE, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, TO MY PRESENCE HERE.

Ahaha, thanks~

You ranked-up before me, huh?

PON

Sei-chan's so awesome!

NOW THAT ALL THIS IS OVER, I'VE FINALLY GOT TIME TO THINK ABOUT OTHER MATTERS.

THE ONES WHO SAW THE MOST GROWTH WERE THE ONES WHO KILLED AND ATE SOMETHING STRONGER THAN THEY WERE, AND THE ONES WHO PERSEVERED THROUGH UNIQUE FEATS OR TASKS.

IT'S REALLY ONLY MY HYPOTHESIS, BUT THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THE GOBLINS HERE HAVE TOUGHENED UP MORE THAN THEY NORMALLY SHOULD IN JUST A MONTH.

THIS ABILITY BOLSTERS MY SUBORDINATES AND GIVES ME THE INSIGHT TO SELECT THE BEST PERSON FOR A JOB OR POSITION.

ALSO, I'D LIKE TO THINK MY ABILITY: [Leader of the Pack] HELPED SOMEWHAT.

ESPECIALLY THE ISSUE OF AN OGRE'S LIFE SPAN.

IT CAN'T POSSIBLY BE SHORTER THAN THAT OF A NORMAL GOBLIN, BUT...

Pa Ta

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AN INCREASE IN RELIABLE COMPANIONS IS MOST WELCOME; BUT FOR NOW, I HAVE OTHER THINGS I NEED TO FIGURE OUT.

TOUGH TRAINING, STRONG PREY, AND [Leader of the Pack] ALL PLAYED A PART IN BRINGING ABOUT SUCH RAPID PROGRESS.

IT'D BE A GOOD IDEA TO OPTIMIZE THESE FACTORS TO ACHIEVE A BETTER RESULT...

THE ELVES, SOME OF THEM FINALLY SUCCUMBED~!

GOBUROU, CAN YA HEAR ME...?!

Ba Ta

Ba Ta

OYY..!

GOBU-ROU!

GASHAN

I'LL DO A-ANYTHING... I'LL LISTEN TO EVERYTHING YOU SAY...!

tremble

tremble

P-

PLEASE! LET ME OUT ALREADY ...!

I...I FEEL REALLY STRANGE!

THREE MALES AND ONE FEMALE HAVE GIVEN IN TO THEIR DESIRES.

OF THE SEVEN-TEEN ELVES THAT WERE RESOLUTELY ENDURING THE EFFECTS OF MY APHRODISIAC,

IT'S OVER FOR ME... I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE...

THIS IS... WORSE THAN DEATH...

AS FOR THE FEMALE ...

THE MALES WERE GIVEN OVER TO THE FEMALE GOBLINS AS AN OUTLET TO RELEASE THEIR SEXUAL TENSION.

wobble~

stand up straight!

UHEHE~ LOOK AT 'ER, SHE'S SUFFERIN'! DON'T YOU WORRY, I'LL TURN THAT PAIN INTO PLEASURE~

GRAND-PAAA ...

THE LAST TIME YOU DID THAT, YOU WORE THE HUMAN WOMEN OUT SO MUCH THAT THEY DIED, REMEMBERRR?

IF YOU PLAN ON DOING THAT TO THESE ELVEN WOMEN, YOU AND I ARE GONNA HAVE A PROBLEMM.

FROM NOW ON, I WANT THEM TREATED WITH THE UTMOST CARE WHEN THEY ARE TAKEN FOR COMPANIONSHIP. ONE-ON-ONE ONLY.

I'D VERY MUCH LIKE TO AVOID DRIVING THEM TO THE POINT WHERE THEY LOSE THEIR WILL TO LIVE.

THE SAME GOES FOR THE MEN.

UH.....

FURTHERMORE, THEY MUST FIRST GIVE THEIR CONSENT.

THEY ARE ALSO FREE TO RESIST YOUR ADVANCES.

IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?

NEEDLESS TO SAY, VIOLENCE AND COERCION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

AND WE'VE SEEN WHAT HORRIBLE THINGS AWAIT THOSE WHO OPPOSE YOU...

UH...WELL, YOU'RE THE HEAD OF THIS CLAN...

Gulp...

IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY THOUGH... THESE CHANGES MIGHT NOT GO OVER WELL WITH EVERYONE.

YOU DON'T SAY...

WE'LL DO AS YOU COMMAND.

YOU YOUNG'UNS MUST ALWAYS STRIVE TO IMPROVE OUR LOT.

TON

THE ELVES ARE A PRIDEFUL PEOPLE, SO I THOUGHT HER FACE WOULD BE TWISTED IN DISGUST, BUT...

SHE'S SHOWING ME AN INCREDIBLY ECSTATIC ONE INSTEAD.

SO, AS FOR THAT FEMALE ELF... YOU COULD SAY THAT IN ORDER TO BETTER UNDERSTAND ELVEN PHYSIOLOGY,

I PERSONALLY TOOK CHARGE OF SETTLING HER IN.

oooo

aaaahh

don't stop

Fuhh

...AH!

COME TO THINK OF IT, THERE WAS THAT ONE INCIDENT FROM THIS MORNING.

I HOPE ALL THAT WAS OKAY WITH HER.

WELL, SHE SEEMED WILLING ENOUGH ANYWAY.

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IT IS OR HOW IT CAN BE USED.

▷GOBUROU has obtained[■■■ of Kindred]!!

WHEN I WOKE UP, I HAD RECEIVED A MYSTERIOUS ... SOMETHING?

I've also decided that we'll have two days of rest per week

USUALLY, I'M ABLE TO GRASP ANY ABILITY I LEARN. THIS ONE IS PROBABLY GOVERNED BY SOME OTHER LAW OF THIS WORLD.

SINCE THE FIRST FEW WORDS ARE OBSCURED, I CAN'T EVEN MAKE A RELIABLE GUESS.

Ah, thank you very much!

This will be your living quarters

only one bed available though!

MAYBE IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT'LL REVEAL ITSELF TO ME EVENTUALLY IF I STOP OBSESSING OVER IT...

I THINK I'LL GIVE UP ON IT FOR NOW.

【DAY 52】

HMM?

I WAS THINKING ABOUT ALL THE DELICIOUS FOOD THE SISTERS COULD MAKE WITH TODAY'S EXCELLENT HAUL

WHEN WE RAN INTO...

GASASA

GASA

TODAY, I WENT HUNTING WITH GOBUKICHI.

YOU LOT...

WHERE EXACTLY ARE YOU GOING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

RECENTLY, THEY WERE SURPASSED BY THEIR JUNIORS.

THEY COULDN'T KEEP UP WITH THE OTHERS DURING TRAINING EITHER.

THESE GUYS...

THEY'RE FROM THE OLDER GENERATION.

WHAT'S MORE, THEY USED TO BE HIGH-RANKING MEMBERS IN THAT GROUP.

ZAA

WELL? WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

IF YOU'VE SOMETHING TO SAY, LET'S HEAR IT.

THIS WHOLE TIME...

WE'VE... ALWAYS BELIEVED THERE'D BE A CHANCE TO OVERTHROW YOU, SO WE WAITED...

BUT... WE'VE HAD ENOUGH...

SHIVER

WE'VE HAD ENOUGH!!

WE'RE NOT PUTTING UP WITH THE WAY YOU RUN THINGS ANYMORE!

FIRST, YOU FORBID US FROM USING THE HUMAN WOMEN WE BROUGHT BACK...!

AND NOW YOU'VE GIVEN THOSE ELVES SPECIAL RIGHTS!!

WE DON'T HAVE A CHANCE AT BEDDING WOMEN OF SUCH QUALITY! EVEN IF WE GROVELLED AND BEGGED!!

WHAT THE HELL ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO FOR FUN, HUH?!!

SO... WE'RE LEAVING...

WE'VE ALL AGREED THAT...

GYUU

IF YOU WANT TO KILL US... THEN GO AHEAD...!

DEATH IS BETTER THAN A LIFE UNDER YOU!!!

I THOUGHT THIS MIGHT HAPPEN.

THIS ISN'T SOMETHING I WANTED TO HEAR, BUT...

AH...

SOME DISSENTERS HAVE APPEARED.

I SEE...

SO... THOUGH IT RISKED MY IRE, THEY ARE RESOLVED TO GO THROUGH WITH THIS.

SHUDDER

SHUDDER

I CAN TELL FROM THEIR TERRIFIED FACES THAT THIS DECISION WASN'T MADE LIGHTLY.

GOTCHA!

BE WELL!

THEY'RE NOT CARRYING ANY EQUIPMENT THAT ISN'T THEIR OWN

THEY DON'T APPEAR TO BE HOSTILE

THEY HAVEN'T COMMITTED ANY VIOLATIONS EITHER, SO THERE'S NO REAL REASON TO KILL THEM.

IF THIS INVOLVED SOMEONE LIKE KICHI, I'D DO EVERYTHING IN MY POWER TO PREVENT IT.

BUT THIS BUNCH... THEY'RE NOT TERRIBLY USEFUL.

TRYING TO STOP OR DISCOURAGE THEM IS A WASTE OF EFFORT.

I DON'T PLAN TO CAST ANYONE ASIDE.

EVEN IF THEY ARE WEAK AND TALENTLESS, I WANT TO EXTEND A HELPING HAND TO THOSE WHO ARE WILLING TO WORK HARD.

BE THAT AS IT MAY,

MY INTENT FOR THIS GOBLIN COMMUNITY IS TO PRIORITIZE INDIVIDUAL ABILITY OVER SHEER NUMBERS. QUALITY OVER QUANTITY.

HERE, THINK OF THIS AS A PARTING GIFT OF SORTS...

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICES THUS FAR.

IN ANY CASE, I THINK IT'S PRUDENT TO SHOW THEM SOME GOODWILL

THAT MIGHT DISSUADE THEM FROM LEAKING INFORMATION ABOUT US.

BUT THIS IS A DECISION THEY MADE ON THEIR OWN.

OH YEAH, HOLD ON A SEC.

THE FORGING METHODS OF WHICH ARE KNOWN ONLY TO THE ELVES.

[Appraisal] TOLD ME THAT THEIR BLUISH-SILVER BLADES ARE MADE OF MITHRIL: A METAL OF THE MAGICAL VARIETY

THEY WOULDN'T SURVIVE VERY LONG WITH THE WEAPONS THEY HAD ON HAND, SO I OFFERED THEM SIX RARE-CLASS DAGGERS FROM VELVET'S STASH.

YOU DON'T WANT THEM?

THEY'RE REAL SHARP, Y'KNOW?

I'll show you.

A MITHRIL BLADE CAN EASILY CUT THROUGH ONE OF STEEL WITHOUT SUFFERING SO MUCH AS A SCRATCH.

THESE DAGGERS DON'T HAVE ANY 'SPECIAL' PROPERTIES, BUT THEIR KEEN EDGE CANNOT BE MATCHED BY THE NORMAL-CLASS SHORT SWORDS THESE GUYS ARE USING.

POTA

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POTA

THERE, SEE?

THE DISSENTERS JUST STOOD THERE WITH A BAFFLED LOOK ON THEIR FACES. I EXPECT THEY'LL BE LIKE THIS FOR AWHILE.

I GUESS THAT'S IT THEN.

WE LEFT WITHOUT LOOKING BACK.

OKAY THEN, SEE YAH

HERE, ONE FOR EACH OF YOU--!

WHATEVER HAPPENS, THEY'RE ON THEIR OWN FROM NOW ON.

WELL, NOT QUITE

I'LL JUST MENTION THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE WHERE I SPILLED MY BLOOD.

I'D SAY THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE OF RUNNING INTO THIS GROUP AGAIN IN THE FUTURE

BUT IT'S MORE LIKELY THAT THEY WILL BE HUNTED DOWN BY ADVENTURERS SEEKING TO LOOT THE RARE MITHRIL DAGGERS THEY NOW POSSESS.

MoZo..

【DAY 53】

HERE, I SPIED THE FIRST ORC I'D SEEN IN A GOOD WHILE.

LOOKING AT THAT PLUMP FACE BRINGS BACK MEMORIES OF ITS MEAT'S DELICIOUSNESS.

Zu Zu Zu

I WAS IN THE MOOD FOR SOME EXPLORING, SO I'M OUT SCOUTING A NEW AREA.

...THAT IT WAS DRAGGING A HUMAN ALONG.

FROM THE LOOKS OF HIM, I'M GUESSING HE IS A YOUNG ADVENTURER.

Zu Zu Zu...

AS I DREW CLOSER, I NOTICED...

ZuRu

ZuRu...

'WAS' A YOUNG ADVEN-TURER...

THIS ORC APPEARS TO BE HUNTING TO STOCK UP ON FOOD.

I GET THAT IT WAS SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST AND ALL, BUT I HOPE THAT WITH THIS, THE BOY'S SOUL WILL REST EASY.

AFTER EATING A BIT OF HIM, I LIT A FIRE AND HAD HIM CREMATED.

GOBOH

SEEMS HE HAD A FAIRLY RARE 'JOB'.

HIS PROFICIENCY IN IT WAS DISMAL THOUGH.

▷ Learned [Job: Monster Tamer]

FOUR MORE ELVES GAVE IN WILLINGLY TODAY.

TWO FEMALES...

EVEN HUMANS WITH RARE 'JOBS' WOULD STILL BE PUSHOVERS IF THEY DON'T DEVOTE ENOUGH TIME AND ENERGY TO LEVELLING.

POOR GUY LEARNED TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE.

Fuh~

THE EXCUSE I GAVE MY SUBORDINATES THIS TIME WAS THAT THE ELVES SHOULD "START FROM THE TOP"

THESE GIRLS TOOK THAT TO MEAN SOMETHING ELSE ENTIRELY, BUT I JUST WENT ALONG WITH IT AND ENTRUSTED MYSELF TO THEM.

SHE LOOKED LIKE SHE WAS REALLY PLEASED ABOUT SOMETHING.

WHEN I WENT TO SEE ALCHEMIST-SAN LATER THAT NIGHT TO ASK FOR SOME TONIC,

Smile Smile

TAKE A SIP AND YOU'LL FIND OUT♥

WHAT'S THIS? MEDICINE?

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BU WAA

THIS IS...

THIS IS ALCOHOL!!

I WAS FINALLY ABLE TO MAKE SOMETHING I KNOW YOU LIKE VERY MUCH!

JYA

DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT?

Of course, there's still room for improvement! I'll need more time for further tests.

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PARTY!!

NOW THAT WE HAVE THIS, THERE'S ONLY ONE PROPER COURSE OF ACTION:

BUT IT DEFINITELY QUALIFIES AS ALCOHOL THOUGH.

SHE TOLD ME THIS WAS MADE FROM BERRIES; SO, UNDERSTANDABLY, THE QUALITY ISN'T ALL TOO GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

THANK YOU!

【DAY 54】

TWO DAYS AGO, A GROUP LEFT OUR CLAN FOR GOOD DUE TO THEIR GRIEVANCES WITH THE STATUS QUO.

AHH RIGHT, ABOUT THAT...

BEFORE WE EAT, I HAVE A FEW MATTERS TO ADDRESS.

Wai

HUH?

Haha

IS IT JUST ME OR ARE WE MISSING A FEW PEOPLE?

Wa,

I WON'T HINDER YOU, NOR WILL I BEAR YOU ANY RESENTMENT.

I'LL EVEN SEND YOU ON YOUR WAY WITH A PARTING GIFT.

TO THAT END,

IF THERE ARE ANY OTHERS HERE WHO WISH TO LEAVE,

DON'T BE AFRAID TO LET ME KNOW.

I PROCEEDED TO TELL THEM OF MY PLANS, MY VISION FOR THE CLAN...

WHEN ALL WAS SAID, THEY WERE STILL HERE. EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM.

AS A LEADER FACED WITH SUCH SOLIDARITY, I CAN'T SAY I WASN'T MOVED.

WELL THEN, WITH THE HOPE OF A BRIGHT FUTURE, LET'S PUSH FORWARD TOGETHER...

CHEERS!